

Education Working Group - South

Meeting Notes			
Name	EDU WG	Meeting Date	9 October 2013
Meeting Location	UNHCR, South office	Meeting Time	12:00
Chair person	Heba Dabliz	Meeting Duration	1 hour
Minutes Prepared by	Heba Dabliz		
Purpose of Meeting	Education Working Group in the South		

List of participants

ALPHA, Amel, Caritas, CSF, Intersos, Iqraa, MEHE Sidon, MEHE Nabatyeh, NRC, UNHCR, UNICEF, Zahrani union of ministry,

Summary of discussions and action points

1. **Overview of educational challenges in the South:** Partners presented their output on the BTS. Main topics discussed tackled issues pertaining to the back to school registration (shift 1, 2), second shift (management of schools), school list shortlisted for second shift, children with disability and how they could integrate in the official school system. In parallel, summary of findings on RRP 6 was shared among the partners (based on the discussion of the RRP 6-Field level which took place on October 7).

Challenges faced by partners are identified below as follow :

1. **Transportation:** Amel suggested that the area of Marjeyoun and Hasbaya be fully covered given that drop out in schools is taking place due to that.
Suggested solution:
 To have Amel conduct a mapping on children cases in order to tackle the most vulnerable and find a durable solution for that problem. **Deadline for this exercise, end of October.**
2. **Second shift:** How soon can the schools start operating as a second shift system and will MEHE issue a circulaire on this regard .
3. **Formal Education Second Shift-Management of schools**
Shortlisted schools:
 Given the influx of school age children approaching schools to register, A list of second shift public schools were presented by both MEHE focal points, in approval with partners working in the field. Schools are as follow:

- District of Tyre:

Massaken Chaabieah official school, Mataryet Chouwar official school, Kansarieh Ibteedaeyeah official school, Ghazieh moutawaseeta official school, Tyre 2 official school, Bareech official school, Moutawaseeta Abasseyah official school, Hanawaya official school.

- District of Saida :

List a: Moutawaseeta el chaheed Maarouf Saad official school, Islah moutawaseeta mixed official school, Kanaya official school, Moutawaseeta Saida firls official school, Kouawaytyan Lebnanyah official school.

List b: Iman school (welcoming children from grade 7, 8, 9) and cultural center school (welcoming children from grade 1-6).

- District of Bent Jbeil:

Jamil Jaber official school

- District of Nabatyeh:

Abdellatif Fayad official school, Zebdine official school, Der Zahrani official school, Choukine official school.

- District of Hasbaya:

Chebaa official school

School Management:

Management of schools has been raised and discussed. It has been agreed upon the following:

- Teachers selection, contracts will be conducted through MEHE focal points in the presence of partners.
- New staff will be appointed in the second shift
- Schedule of teachers, classes duration to be put in place in coordination with MEHE focal points
- Payment of salaries will be conducted through the partner to the school director.
- school hour operations: It was suggested that schools will run on Friday and Sunday (as regular school time) and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (Afternoon shift).

4. **Children with disability:** The issue of children with disability and the means of integrating them was raised.

Education Working Group Tyre Summary of discussions and action points

1.	Issue: First shift registration procedure and payment mode
1.1	Recommendations and agreed upon steps
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partners are collecting on a weekly basis the lists of beneficiaries given by school directors to MEHE focal points on a weekly basis. In accordance to those lists, payments will be done by the partner to the school directors • Partners have started data entry of this information into their database. In accordance, payment schedule is foreseen to be put in place by end of October. • As of 31th of October collection of second shift beneficiaries will be collected.
2.	Issue: Second shift process on schools selection recommended by MEHE focal points in coordination with partners
2.1	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Given the influx of school age children approaching schools to register, A list of second shift public schools were presented by both MEHE focal points, in approval with partners working in the field. Schools are as follow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - District of Tyre: Massaken Chaabieah official school, Mataryet Chouwar official school, Kansarieh Ibteadaeyeah official school, Ghazieh moutawaseeta official school, Tyre 2 official school, Bareech official school, Moutawaseeta Abasseyah official school, Hanawaya official school. - District of Saida : List a: Moutawaseeta el chaheed Maarouf Saad official school, Islah moutawaseeta mixed official school, Kanaya official school, Moutawaseeta Saida firls official school, Kouawaytyan Lebnanyah official school. List b: Iman school (welcoming children from grade 7, 8, 9) and cultural center school (welcoming children from grade 1-6). - District of Bent Jbeil: Jamil Jaber official school - District of Nabatyeh: Abdellatif Fayad official school, Zebdine official school, Der Zahrani official school, Choukine official school. - District of Hasbaya: Chebaa official school.
3	Issue: Second shift school management

3.1	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Management: Management of schools has been raised and discussed. It has been agreed upon the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teachers selection, contracts will be conducted through MEHE focal points in the presence of partners. - New staff will be appointed in the second shift - Schedule of teachers, classes duration to be put in place in coordination with MEHE focal points - Payment of salaries will be conducted through the partner to the school director. - school hour operations: It was suggested that schools will run on Friday and Sunday (as regular school time) and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (Afternoon shift). - Pertaining to trainings of teachers, identifying children eligible for ALP and RC, it was agreed upon that as of November identification will be more possible and realistic. Hence, coordination with partners on the field could be coordinated accordingly.
4.	<p>Issue a: Distribution schedule on school in a box (UNICEF), stationary (UNHCR), uniforms, school bags</p>
4.1	<p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress a Timetable with partners on the distribution plan.
	<p>Next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EWG will take place once a month. Following one is foreseen for November 6, 2013. • Weekly meetings among partners/ MEHE focal points/ UNHCR-UNICEF will take place once a week.